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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1389

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 8, 2009

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Twenty-First Century Scholars.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Summers

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires each school corporation to provide each student who applies for free or reduced lunches under the National School Lunch Program with an application for the Twenty-First Century Scholars Program.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Department of Education is to provide sufficient Twenty-First Century Scholars Program applications to local schools. Students can apply for the Twenty-First Century Scholars Program in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grades. The impact on the state would probably be minor.

Background: The Twenty-First Century Scholars Program provides students who meet the income eligibility requirements, fulfill a pledge to maintain a 2.0 grade-point average, and be drug free, a guaranteed four-year education at a public higher educational institution. Students enroll in the program as 6th, 7th, or 8th graders. The annual enrollment into the program has varied from about 7,500 students to 10,600 students.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The cost of providing an application for the Twenty-First Century Scholars Program at the same time 6th, 7th, and 8th graders apply for free or reduced lunch would probably be minor.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Education.

Local Agencies Affected: Local schools.

Information Sources:

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